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ELECTRODE GROUP FOR USE IN THE BATTERY

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Applicants hereby call the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

JP 6-96801, laid-open April 8, 1994, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract. This document is cited on page 3 of the specification;

JP 8-171917, laid-open November 13, 1998, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract. This document is cited on page 3 of the specification;

JP 10-302827, laid-open November 13, 1998, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract. This document is cited on page 3 of the specification;

JP 10-64577, laid-open March 6, 1998, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract. This document is cited on page 3 of the specification;

JP 60-180071, laid-open September 13, 1985, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract. This document is cited on page 3 of the specification;

U.S. Patent No. 6,692,542 to KASHIYAMA et al., issued February 17, 2004;

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0061476 to NAKAMARU et al., published April 1, 2004; and

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0048147 to MURAOKA et al., published March 11, 2004.

Furthermore, Applicants call the following documents, which were cited in an International Search Report that was filed concurrently with the application, to the Examiner's attention:

JP 11-121044, laid-open April 30, 1999, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract;

JP 2001-283894, laid-open October 12, 2001, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract;

EP 1102342, published May 23, 2001: U.S. Patent No. 6,509,114 and JP 2001-143762 are patent family members;

JP 07-134984, laid-open May 23, 1995, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract; and

JP 09-283178, laid-open October 31, 1997, which is accompanied by an English language translation of the abstract.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider and cite the above-noted documents.

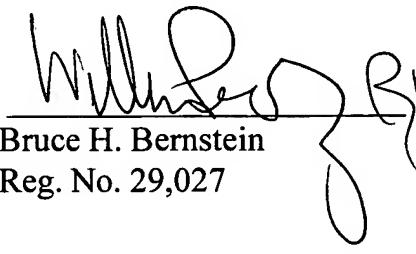
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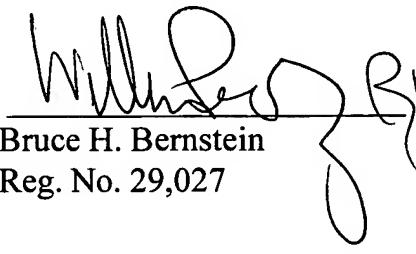
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If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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